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UPS employee arrested for theft

Riverside, CA – On Thursday, October 2, 2008, the Riverside Police Department arrested a UPS employee for internal theft. The arrest was the result of an eight-month long investigation, which originated from the UPS Distribution Center located at 1391 Spruce Street in Riverside. The investigation revealed a 20-year UPS employee was involved in an elaborate theft scheme in which items being shipped through the UPS facility would be diverted to another location where criminals, whom the items were not intended for, would receive them.

As a result of the investigation, detectives from the Investigations Unit served two search warrants; one in the city of San Bernardino and the other in the unincorporated area of Running Springs. Both locations are suspected of being drop off points for the stolen property. Investigators learned that the residences belonged to relatives of the suspect and had both been receiving an assortment of household goods, laptop computers, handheld electronic devices, televisions, furniture and other items, for over a year. The items recovered had a retail value of approximately \$25,000. The investigation is on-going with the assistance from UPS Internal Security.

The suspect, Donna MAY, 66, of Devore, was taken into custody without incident, interviewed and was later booked into the Robert Presley Detention Center for embezzlement and grand theft.

In this age of Internet mail order commerce, shippers urge customers to obtain tracking numbers when using a reputable shipper and consider purchasing insurance for the item in the event the item is damaged, lost or stolen.

Anyone with additional information regarding this investigation is urged to contact Detective Kevin Townsend at (951) 826-8717.

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